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Wolfgang Günter RUCKMANN ) Docket No: W1.1578 PCT-US  
Horst Bernhard MICHALIK )  
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Application No. : To Be Assigned )  
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Filed : September 19, 2001 )  
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For : METHOD AND DEVICE FOR )  
WINDING UP AT LEAST ONE )  
PAPER WEB )

INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Honorable Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Pursuant to 37 CFR 1.97 and 1.98 and to MPEP Section 609, the accompanying materials, as set forth with specificity on the enclosed form PTO-1449 are submitted for consideration by the Examiner.

The above-identified application, and three associated applications are being concurrently filed. The accompanying materials are being cited in all four applications. Various ones of these materials were cited in International Search Reports which accompanied the published PCT applications. Other ones of these materials were brought to the attention of the undersigned by the applicants' principal representative in Germany, without comment. Several are cited in the specifications of the subject applications.

The several U.S. patents are in the English language. No discussion thereof is requested.

Swiss patent No. CH 342 241 appears to show a longitudinal web former or folder. It appears that the web 16 passes between spaced pairs of rods or bars, generally at 8, as seen in Figs. 2 and 3.

German patent DE 1 189 562 appears to show cylinder pairs 2, 3; 6, 8; and 4, 5. A web 1 passes between these cylinder pairs.

German patent No. DE 1 273 483 appears to show pairs of cooperating cylinders that cut or perforate sections of a web, as seen in Fig. 1. A plurality of blades 2 and 9 are carried by serially arranged cylinders or rollers.

German patent No. DE 1 931 337 appears to show an arrangement for cutting and folding a web of material, as seen in Figs. 2 and 3. Several cut web delivery assemblies are shown. Fig. 1 appears to show a cam and follower arrangement for one of the cylinders in the delivery assembly.

German document DE 2 241 127 appears to show various cylinder arrangements in Figs. 8-13. It appears that various web guide or lead-in assemblies are provided.

The various other enclosed documents are each accompanied by an English language abstract which was obtained from a commercial data base.



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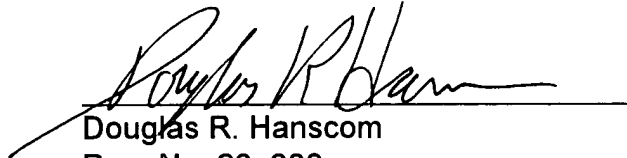
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Entry of these materials into the file of the subject patent application and their consideration by the Examiner is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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